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In re Application of:

Jeffrey M. Wendlandt

Serial No.: 10/072,697

Examiner: B. Pantuck

Filing Date: February 7, 2002

Group Art Unit: 3731

For: SURGICAL CLIP WITH A SELF-RELEASING RESERVOIR

Docket No.: 1001.1440101

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By *Kathleen L. Boekley*  
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This paper is in response to the Office Action mailed July 31, 2003, with a shortened statutory period set to expire on October 31, 2003. This paper is filed within the set period for response such that no extension of time is necessary.

Please consider the following amendments and remarks:



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